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## CITY WILL BUILD A BIG ELL TO WIGGINS WHARF

Board of Works Makes Recommendation at Meeting Last Night—Will Cost \$3,500—Engineer Scammell Writes Concerning No. 6 Berth—Other Matters Dealt With

At a meeting of the Board of Works held last night it was decided to recommend to the city council that the work of rebuilding the Wiggins wharf, West Side, be made to provide for a three hundred foot pier at the end. The expenditure involved is some \$3,500. Correspondence in the matter of the depth of water now obtainable at No. 6 berth was read from J. K. Scammell, the engineer in charge, and a verbal report received from the city engineer of his recent measurements.

The following were in attendance at the meeting, which was presided over by Ald. McGoldrick: Ald. Vanwart, Lewis, Elkin, Willett, Frink, Baskin, Spruiell, Rowan, Baxter, Pickett, the city engineer, director, harbor master, superintendent of streets and common clerk.

CRANSTON AVENUE.  
Lewis D. Millidge was heard in support of a petition asking that the city take over the street now known as Cranston Avenue. Mr. Millidge stated that the residents of the street paid an annual tax of \$100.

Ald. Willett thought that while there were several legal points involved in the prayer of the petition should be granted.

Ald. Rowan also favored the scheme. Ald. Willett moved that the matter be referred to a committee consisting of the chairman, the city engineer and the alderman for the ward. This was carried.

The harbor committee reported recommending that W. A. Emerson be awarded the contract for furnishing at No. 5 shed and that the smaller of two boulders be removed from No. 6 berth.

On motion of Ald. Rowan the report was adopted.

REPORT CO. WRITES.  
A communication was read from Robert Reford & Co. asking that the city enter into a written contract with the I. C. R. in the matter of the track to be laid along McLeod's wharf.

The chairman brought up the matter in this connection of the building owned by the city on McLeod's wharf. He stated that the building was in a dilapidated condition now and suggested that as the lease expired this year it might be advisable to have it removed.

The whole matter was referred to a committee consisting of Ald. Holder, Elkin, Spruiell and the director.

A communication was read from D. J. Seelye & Sons asking that they be allowed to occupy No. 3 shed, Market wharf, at a rental of \$115 per year.

The director explained that the Seelye Co. occupied the building in question during the progress of repairs to their old quarters. They wanted the same terms of rental for the new building that they enjoyed for the old. He did not think that this should be granted. The rental was on order fixed at \$150 per year.

REDUCTION IN TAXES.  
A petition was read from the residents of Somerset street asking for a reduction in taxes. The petition stated that the street was without sidewalks or conveniences. Moreover the police were never seen unless called for.

Ald. Willett regretted that the board was unable to reduce the taxes, but held that something should be done for the street. On his motion the matter was referred to a committee consisting of the director, chairman and the alderman of the ward. The committee was also delegated, on motion of Ald. Willett, to take up the placing of a sidewalk along the north side of the Military road.

A petition was read from the residents of Princess street, East End, asking that some twenty yards of sidewalk be constructed on the north side of the street.

On motion of Ald. Baskin the matter was referred to the city engineer for a report.

NO. 6 BERTH.  
A communication was read from J. K. Scammell, the engineer in charge of the dredging operations at Sand Point, submitting a plan of the several depths of water arrived at by the city and department. He stated that he was glad to learn that the harbor master had been the first civil official to use the federal government's tidal gauge and pointed out that owing to a change in the system one foot one inch would have to be added to the records as at present computed in arriving at the depth of water reached under the Mayes contract.

The chairman stated that two boulders had still to be dealt with. One at a depth of twenty-nine feet would be removed by the city in order to "hurry up" the work of placing the berth in commission. The other would be removed by the department.

The harbor master stated that he had used the tidal gauge at No. 1 berth early as last summer. He did not know what Mr. Scammell meant in intimating that his soundings had been irregular. He thought that one standard of the gauge should be used for all work done at Sand Point.

In answer to Ald. Baskin he stated that the largest Allan liner when loaded required twenty-seven feet of water.

Ald. Baskin suggested that there was a sufficient margin on the boulder now, but the harbor master thought not. Continuing, he stated that the soundings were probably completed today. There was but one hundred and fifty feet remaining to be dragged.

CONSTRUCTION OF ELL.  
The chairman brought up the matter of the construction of an ell at the outer end of Wiggins wharf. He stated that it meant but an additional three hundred feet and as Contractor Roberts was nearing the completion of his present repairs to the wharf the much needed extension might very well be added. The latter, he thought, would be a sufficient margin for repairs and the city was in need of a berth to accommodate her. The present work was costing ten thousand and fifty dollars; the extension might be added for thirty-five hundred.

Ald. Baxter moved that the work be carried out in accordance with the plans submitted by Director Peters. The motion was carried.

Ald. Elkin thought the extension most necessary, the city was in need of what accommodations for small vessels. He moved that the specifications be prepared and that tenders be called. The work to include the placing of the fenders along the face of the present structure.

Ald. Baskin moved in amendment that the work be done by city under direction of the engineer.

Ald. Baxter asked the city engineer which was the less expensive, work done by contract or by day labor.

THAT DONE BY CONTRACT.  
He replied that work done by contract was the better of the argument.

On the amendment being put it was lost. The original motion providing that tenders be called was then put and carried.

A communication from J. Hunter White on behalf of the Battery Co. of Montreal, asking that storage room be provided by the city during the summer months for importations of molasses, was referred to the West Side committee.

The city engineer was then asked to report upon his trip. He stated that he could only report verbally, as he had not yet made out a detailed account of his travels.

He stated that he had visited twelve cities for the purpose of studying the methods employed in the government of centres approximately the size of St. John. He had especially looked into the civic administration of Toronto and Ottawa where the board of control system obtained, and found that the duties of the aldermen had been considerably lessened while the work of the controllers had increased proportionately.

In the State of New York the legislature had framed a uniform charter known as the White charter. It was gradually being adopted throughout the state and was generally approved. It provided for two boards known as the board of estimates and the board of apportionment. The mayor exercised much larger powers than the St. John official, and was in fact the hardest worked man in the administrative body. The mayor and commissioner were elected for a term of two years. The city engineer and a number of minor officials were appointed by the mayor. Altogether he found that the system obtaining in St. John was more democratic than that of the American cities he had visited.

ALD. FRANK'S QUESTION.  
Ald. Frink asked if he came across any city satisfied with its form of government, and Mr. Murdoch replied that he had only interviewed the officials of the places he had visited.

In the matter of streets he would

## GLACE BAY MINERS HOWL DOWN SPEAKER

Pandemonium at Meeting of Rival Organizations.

Gathering Called to Settle Differences But Did Not Achieve This—An Immense Crowd.

GLACE BAY, Feb. 24.—A public labor meeting held in Kings Theatre this evening, under the auspices of the officers of the U. M. W. A. was attended by an immense crowd of workmen of the town and collieries of the Dominion Coal Co. The speaker of the evening was to have been Peter Patterson, organizer of the U. M. W. A. H. Bonfield, also an official of the American organization and John Moffat and S. B. MacNeil, officials of P. W. A. were also present but not one of these gentlemen was allowed to speak by the boisterous audience.

Before six o'clock the spacious theatre was crowded by men of both organizations who were unable to gain admittance. In the absence of Mayor Douglas, Councillor Dan McDonald was elected as chairman. The meeting was opened at 7.30 by the chairman who endeavored to address the meeting. He explained the object of the meeting and was reviewing labor matters during the past year when he was interrupted by the audience and was obliged to desist. The police were present but could do nothing among such a throng of people who cheered and hissed at every thing. Peter Patterson then attempted to address the meeting. He was asked by Mr. Moffat, of the P. W. A., if he and Mr. MacNeil were permitted to speak. Patterson said they would not as it was a U. M. W. meeting. Upon this noise and cheers broke out and Patterson could not hear anyone. Patterson and Moffat of the P. W. A. attempted to speak and secure quiet, but the audience would not hear them. Again and again the chairman endeavored to preserve order, but nothing could be done to quiet the crowd. Bonfield said he was satisfied to allow Mr. Moffat to speak but by this time the meeting had become such that it would not hear anyone. Patterson and Moffat endeavored to raise enthusiasm and be a cheer for the U. M. W. That was responded to by cheering for the P. W. A. which was again responded to by deafening cheers from the audience. As it was impossible to proceed with the meeting, it was then decided to disperse and the greatest labor meeting numerically ever held in Glace Bay adjourned. Both the U. M. A. and P. W. A. officials claim the meeting as a distinct triumph for their organization. As a matter of fact it was impossible to decide, though it appeared as if the P. W. A. had a majority of friends in the building. The settlement of the predominant trouble between the labor organizations in Cape Breton which it was expected would be decided tonight, remains still far off.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 23.—Clarke S. Jacobs, of the University of Chicago, tonight broke the world's indoor vault record, clearing the bar at 12 feet, 3 inches. The feat was accomplished at the dual track meet of the Chicago Athletic Association and the University of Chicago. The University team won the meet by ten points.

state that the average local article compared very favorably with the prize food of any American city. Granite pavements were generally used for hilly streets. Asphalt was used extensively for sidewalks, although it disintegrated quickly.

Regarding water supplies the St. John system was equal to the best of any he had come upon.

Asked as to the most striking feature he had found in inspection, he best suited to the needs of St. John, Mr. Murdoch replied that it was the practice of charging up to the residents of a street the expenditure of pavement improvement met with in nearly every city he had visited in the United States.

The meeting then adjourned.

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## FARMERS ARE NOT WANTED ON THIS JURY

Standard Oil Does Not Want to Trust Them.

So Panel of 150 Venemen Was Discharged—Judge Thinks Business Men Would Make for a Better Verdict.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 23.—The re-trial of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana was unexpectedly delayed today when Judge Anderson in the United States district court quashed the panel of 150 venemen because of what he considered the singularly large proportion of farmers thereon.

It was a so-called "farmers' jury" that brought in the verdict making Judge Landis fine of \$29,246.00 in the original case possible and John S. Miller of the defense, was prompt in calling the court's attention to the fact that the panel then present for the new trial contained but three Chicagoans although sixty per cent. of the population within the jurisdiction of the court lives within Cook county.

It looks like design, or if not design, it looks like a strange coincidence," commented Judge Anderson, whereupon T. C. McMillan and R. C. Jones, the jury commissioners insisted with vigor that the latter was the case; that the panel had been drawn exactly as the other cases. This the court admitted to be a fact.

District Attorney Sims and his special assistant, James H. Wilkerson, quoted authorities to show that all a defendant can legally claim, is a fair, honest and intelligent jury to try his case. Mr. Wilkerson contended there was no statute to compel the jury commission to take geography or occupation into consideration.

"I don't want to start in with this feeling that there is something unfair," answered the court. "We ought to start fair and keep fair. I think this panel ought to be set aside. I will instruct the jury commission to put in 150 names of men, a good portion of whom shall be good business men from Chicago and Cook county. It so happens that this case is tried in a district composed of an enormous commercial city and several rural communities. The country man and greater intelligence than the city but that is an open question. However, I am not going outside the issue when I say that if the jury were composed partly of business men, who would realize the great industrial and commercial phase of the case a more satisfactory and just verdict may be reached."

On motion of Mr. Millick, Judge Anderson said he would hear arguments of counsel tomorrow as to whether shipments or settlements of freight charges constitute the offense. The government will contend that each shipment of oil on which an allowance was paid forms a separate violation of the law. Under this construction of the law it would be possible for the defendant to avoid a guilty verdict, a maximum of \$10,000.00. There were, it is charged, thirty-six settlements of freight charges on the case. According to this view a maximum fine of \$720,000 is possible.

The jury commission was ordered to produce the new panel Thursday.

## FOURTH EXPLOSION IN SAME POWDER MILL

ACTON, Mass., Feb. 23.—Eight men were burned, several probably seriously, through the accidental ignition of powder dust in the so-called "wash up room" of the American Powder Co. in South Acton today. The exact cause is not known. The shedlike structure in which the accident happened was entirely destroyed and only the remoteness of surrounding buildings prevented a general explosion. The total loss did not exceed \$500.

The accident today is the fourth which has occurred at the powder plant within three months.

ST. STEPHEN, N. B., Feb. 23.—Lewis A. Mills, K. C., one of the best known citizens, died at his residence on Main street this evening after a protracted illness, but which had only confined him to his home since Saturday last. He was the senior member of the bar in Charlotte county, and was at one time in partnership with the late Hon. Judge Stevens.

He has been a ward of Trinity Church for many years and has been secretary of the Board of School Trustees and police magistrate of the town. He is survived by his widow and three sons, Wm. A. Mills, hardware merchant; N. Marks Mills, barrister, and Lewis P. Mills, accountant. His death resulted from an organic trouble which had recently developed symptoms of a cancerous nature. He was a man of many fine qualities and was held in high esteem. Interment will be made Thursday afternoon.

BRITAIN AND RUSSIA MAY DEMAND REFORMS IN PERSIA

LONDON, Feb. 23.—The British Government has been in consultation recently with Russia regarding the best means for ending the conditions of anarchy prevailing in Persia, and to this end it has suggested a joint intimation to the Shah that unless a form of constitutional government is granted he will get no support of any kind from the governments of Great Britain or Russia and that these countries will have to take measures to safeguard their respective interests in Persia. Should a loan be required the British Government would refuse to consent thereto unless it is approved by an elected assembly.

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